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MEMORANDUM

TO: Leonard G. Cooke, Director
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FROM: James Towey
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DATE: October 2, 2006

SUBJECT: Authority to Amend Rules Relating to Compulsory In-Service Training Standards; 6 VAC 20-30-10 *et seq.*

In response to a request from the Department of Criminal Justice Services, I have reviewed the proposed amendments to the regulations, set forth in 6 VAC 20-30-10 *et seq.*, relating to compulsory in-service training standards for law enforcement officers, jailers or custodial officers, courtroom security officers, process service officers and officers of the Department of Corrections, Division of Institutional Services. Upon review of the aforesaid amendments, I find them to be constitutional, consistent with the statutory authority conferred by § 9.1-102 of the Code of Virginia, and in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

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